



MINI-LESSON 34: PRESENT SIMPLE FOR SCHEDULES

Objective:

Learn how to use the **present simple tense** to talk about **future events that are scheduled**, such as transportation, timetables, and events.

Grammar Explanation:

We use the **present simple** to talk about **fixed schedules** in the future—things that happen at specific times (like classes, trains, or movie showtimes).

Examples:

- *The train leaves at 7:45 a.m.*
- *My flight arrives at 10:00 p.m.*
- *The concert starts at 8:30.*

 These are usually **public** or **official schedules**.



Practice

A. Choose the correct form of the verb to complete each sentence.

1. The movie **(starts / starting)** at 9:00 p.m.
2. My English class **(begin / begins)** at 8:00 on Mondays.
3. The bus **(leave / leaves)** at 6:45.
4. Her flight **(arrive / arrives)** tomorrow morning.
5. The store **(close / closes)** at 10:00 p.m.
6. The game **(finish / finishes)** around 11:00.

B. Fill in the blanks with the correct present simple form of the verb in parentheses.

1. The train _____ (depart) at 4:15.
2. The supermarket _____ (open) at 7:00 a.m. every day.
3. The class _____ (not end) until 4:30.
4. The plane _____ (land) at noon.
5. The museum _____ (close) on Mondays.
6. The bus _____ (not stop) here after 8:00 p.m.

C. Write questions about scheduled events using the present simple.

1. What time / the show / start?
→ _____
2. When / the store / open?
→ _____
3. What time / your train / leave?
→ _____
4. What / time / the meeting / begin?
→ _____
5. When / the bus / arrive?
→ _____
6. What / time / the class / finish?
→ _____



✓ Answer Key

A. Choose the correct form of the verb

1. starts
2. begins
3. leaves
4. arrives
5. closes
6. finishes

B. Fill in the blanks

1. departs
2. opens
3. doesn't end
4. lands
5. closes
6. doesn't stop

C. Write questions

1. What time does the show start?
2. When does the store open?
3. What time does your train leave?
4. What time does the meeting begin?
5. When does the bus arrive?
6. What time does the class finish?